



Cavendish Close Infant and Nursery School

Newsletter 5

Monday 26th September 2022

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you and your family have settled back into the school routine now. We have mostly enjoyed pleasant weather this September (apart from the occasional torrential downpour at home time!) but it has definitely started to feel more autumnal over this last week. My oldest daughter, Blossom, will be taking her GCSEs in Year 11 this year and my youngest daughter, Tabitha, has started in Year 8. Enjoy your children while they are young! My puppy, Nelly Tiger is my new baby!

The class teams have been building positive relationships and establishing class routines and expectations. I am still working out where everyone belongs now, and I am still learning new names. All our new children have started school now. We are really grateful for your support and how well you have prepared your children to be successful and independent at school.

All **the school doors open at 8:45am** and our staff will be ready to greet your children with a smile and a warm welcome. We would prefer families, where possible, to **continue following our one-way system around the school building**. This keeps the movement on site flowing nicely. It really isn't very much quicker accessing the Year 2 door by going the wrong way. Please allow time to walk calmly around the building, we would really appreciate this, thank you.

Our newly developed outdoors are, disappointingly, still not ready for the children to use yet. Some minor defects must be addressed before the areas are certified safe to use. We are hoping that the work will be completed soon. Please ensure that your children stay on the path as **we are politely asking that you do not allow your children to play in the Nursery outdoor area before or after school**, thank you for your cooperation.

We are about to advertise a job vacancy as we are looking to recruit a new cleaner (3:30pm to 6:30pm daily). If you or anyone you know may be interested in this job, please contact Mrs Kelly in the school office for more information.

I have started to add key dates for this term into today's newsletter. I will be communicating information regarding parents' evening meetings in the coming weeks. Our first event for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 parents and carers to visit school this half term will be a craft and story afternoon on Wednesday 12th October.

If you have any queries or feedback, please get in touch so that we can work together to make our school the best that it can be for our community. If you have a concern, we will deal with it thoroughly and work in partnership with you to secure a positive outcome. Thank you for your continued positivity, support and understanding – it is very much appreciated. Take care.

Kind regards, Mrs C Diffin Headteacher

Our School Vision

When our children move on from us, we want them to be...



Harvest Festival Celebration

We would like to invite all families to contribute food items for our Harvest Festival display in the hall. Please send in tins and packets of food by next Tuesday 4th October. Thank you



After our Harvest Festival Celebrations, we will be donating the food to the Derby Food 4 Thought Alliance.

The Derby Food 4 Thought Alliance supports people in Derby who are experiencing food poverty, through food provision, signposting, education and advice. If you need assistance call 01332 346266.



We would like to invite Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 parents and carers to come and join their children in their classrooms for a craft and story afternoon on Wednesday 12th October at 1:45pm. One visiting adult per child with no younger siblings please.



If you drive to school, please park safely away from school and walk. Please do not block driveways or mount pavements. Respect our neighbours and prioritise keeping children safe.

If you drive on site to drop off or collect children from a club, drive very slowly and park in a designated parking space.



Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children can have a 'free' school dinner every day. Costs are covered by the government. Our meals are cooked freshly every day and you can prepare your children for what they will choose by looking at our [menus](#).



Please find time every day to read to and with your children. Enjoying reading together will help your children to develop as confident readers who choose to read. We have implemented a new 'Phonics Programme' this term and we will be sharing information with you about how you can help your children as readers soon.



Do you need any help with childcare before or after the school day?

Breakfast Club	From 7:45am
After School Club	Until 5:45pm
Mrs Roberts is our Breakfast and After School Club Leader. Miss Stafford is our After School Club Lead Teaching Assistant. If you need help with childcare before or after the school day, please enquire about our fantastic provision by emailing Mrs Roberts. Clubs@cavclosei.derby.sch.uk	

Every day at school counts

Enable your child to achieve their best educational outcomes by being an...

Attendance HERO.

Please do not book any term time holidays during this academic year as holiday absence will be unauthorised and parents/carers risk being fined by Derby City Council.

Securing good attendance and punctuality is a key priority for our school this year.

Mrs Asghar is our Attendance Leader, and she will be carefully tracking children's attendance where it falls below our school target of 96%.

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Every day,

Ready and

On time

Term Dates for 2022.23

Autumn Term 1 2022

Thursday 1st September to Friday 21st October

September and October	Reception children will be assessed using the statutory Reception Baseline Assessment
Friday 30 th September	Rock Steady Showcase for the Key Stage 1 children
Tuesday 4 th October	Key Stage 1 Harvest Festival Assembly
Tuesday 4 th October	Book Fair arrives in school (further information to follow)
Wednesday 5 th October	St Mary's Church visit us for a Harvest Assembly
Thursday 6 th October	Special school dinner day with a gift for every child who has a school dinner .
Wednesday 12 th October	Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Parents and carers are invited to craft and story time in school at 1:45pm – Join your children in their classrooms (further information to follow)
Tuesday 18 th October	Parent/carer meetings for Reception children with Special Educational Needs
	Reception NHS Health Checks
Wednesday 19 th October	Parent/carer meetings for Year 1 children with Special Educational Needs
	Reception NHS Health Checks
Thursday 20 th October	Parent/carer meetings for Year 2 children with Special Educational Needs
	Non-uniform day in return for a charity donation (Children's charity to be confirmed)
Thursday 20th October	Children break up for the half term holiday
Friday 21 st October	INSET day 2: School is closed to children for staff training

Autumn Term 2 2022

Monday 31st October to Thursday 22nd December

Wednesday 9 th November	School photographer
Thursday 10 th November	School photographer
Week beginning Monday 14 th November	Anti-bullying week
Monday 14 th November	Odd socks day – Children can come to school wearing odd socks
Friday 18 th November	Non-uniform day in return for a charity donation for Children in Need
Wednesday 30 th November	St Andrew's Day
Friday 2 nd December	Beauty and the Beast Pantomime performance in school
Monday 12 th December	NHS Flu vaccination team in school.
Monday 19 th December	Rock Steady Concert for parents and carers
Wednesday 21 st December	St Mary's Church visit us for a Christmas assembly
Wednesday 21st December	Children break up for the Christmas holiday
Thursday 22 nd December	INSET day 3: School is closed to children for staff training

Spring Term 1 2023

Monday 9th January to Friday 17th February

Thursday 16th February	Children break up for the half term holiday
Friday 17 th February	INSET day 4: School is closed to children for staff training

Spring Term 2 2023

Monday 27th February to Friday 31st March

Friday 31st March	Children break up for the Easter holiday
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Summer Term 1 2023

Monday 17th April to Friday 26th May

Friday 26th May	Children break up for the half term holiday
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Summer Term 2 2023

Monday 5th June to Friday 21st July

Monday 3 rd July	INSET day 5: School is closed to children for staff training
Friday 21st July	Children break up for the Summer holiday

INSET day 1	Thursday 1 st September 2022	These dates are the same as Cavendish Close Junior Academy
INSET day 2	Friday 21 st October 2022	
INSET day 3	Thursday 22 nd December 2022	This date is different from Cavendish Close Junior Academy
INSET day 4	Friday 17 th February 2023	This date is the same as Cavendish Close Junior Academy
INSET day 5	Monday 3 rd July 2023	This date is different from Cavendish Close Junior Academy

Term Dates for 2023.24

Autumn Term 1 2023

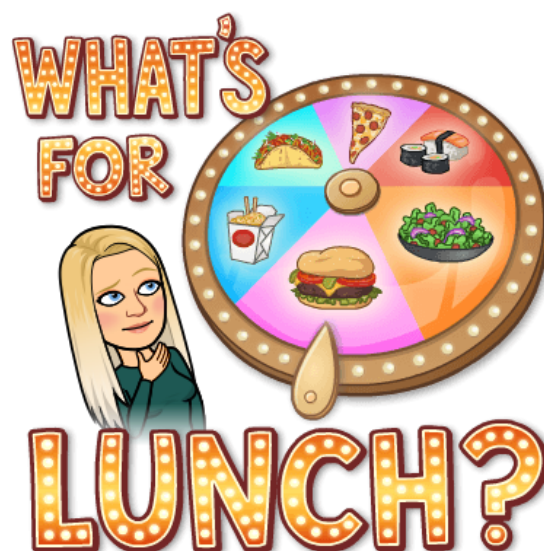
Monday 4th September to Friday 27th October

Dear Cavendish Close Children,



Thank you for walking to school and coming into school so sensibly, and for saying 'Good morning' to the grown ups who are outside waiting to greet you. We love the smiles, the waves and the good manners. Thank you

Mrs Carter and the super kitchen team make fresh and tasty school dinners for us every day. We are so lucky! Have a look at our menus and see which food you like. There is so much to choose from every day.



Many Thanks!



We have been learning about Harvest time. Please bring some tins and packets of food into school for our Harvest display in hall. We will be kind and share the food with other people in Derby who are hungry. Thank you.

Best wishes from Mrs Diffin x